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SEWP IV Enhancements / Overview

Q: In the verification file - where would I find the SEWP fee or is it included in the quote?

A: The fee is no longer separately listed. It is part of the product price so there is nothing to verify in the verification file.

Q: When will you be in California?

A: Please send a training request via the following link...

<http://216.34.99.34/votingmodule/s180/survey/644729/196c/?logo=1>

Q: So to confirm what was said earlier, when we want to verify a product we now have to go into each of the contract holders that are listed to search for products?

A: No. You never have to verify products. A verification file is provided with each quote. It lists the items on the quote and the verification that the items are on contract and priced at or below catalog price. The only verification needed is to check that the list of items in the verification file matches the list of items on the quote

Q: Will the SEWP V be accessible via the same website link as the SEWP VI website? Or is there a different (new) link?

A: the same website – www.sewp.nasa.gov will be used for SEWP V.

Q: With this being contract-only, have the criteria of who can/cannot "piggyback" onto SEWP - in terms of which Fed agencies - changed. In other words, because it's now contract-only, are there more restrictions on which Fed agencies can/cannot use SEWP?

A: There is no change. The SEWP V contracts are identical in how they are used as previously. We have received our executive agent status from OMB so all Federal Agencies can utilize SEWP and place orders against the SEWP contracts.

Q: Will we have the ability to search by manufacturer?

A: The tool is back on the website. Note that this is not a total list of all available manufacturers. If there is one you do not find, submit an RFI or RFQ to have it added.

Q: can you talk more about the process vendors and the government must take to submit a revised quote after the RFQ closes?

A: The preference is for the Government to re-open/extend the RFQ for a short period to allow for re-submittals. If the change is non-substantive, then the customer can ask for a revised quote to be sent to the SEWP Program Office who will then forward to the customer. In SEWP V, this process will be more automated.

Q: When we send out an RFQ, do we need to include all the vendors that SEWP solicits in our solicitation list?

A: If the question refers to internal documentation as to who the RFQ is sent to, you would list only those companies in the group or groups you submitted the RFQ to.

Q: Just to confirm for a requirement if we wanted to buy a specific item, you mentioned that the tool will only show requested items but not all. So, an RFI is the best way to go to see if an item is under schedule?

A: An RFI or RFQ is the only way to obtain true availability. A search of the catalog only provides historic data on what other people have requested.

Q: I may have missed, but will the SEWP V website be fully "live" on 1 May?

A: Yes, SEWP V website live on May 1st.

Q: how do we go about becoming a contract holder?

A: The process for competing, evaluating, selecting and awarding contracts is finished. SEWP V is a 10 year contract vehicle (a base of 5 years with one 5 year option). To participate in SEWP V, you can team or partner with the selected companies or have your products and services added to their contracts. A list of the SEWP V contract holders and their points of contacts will be available in late April.

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Q: Will the provider lookup tool allow you to view pricing?

Pricing is only available through the RFQ process.

Q: How do we attend the 2 hour training?

A: Please send a training request via the following link...

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Q: Why are contract holders grouped?

A: The Contract groups are based on the multiple competitions used to solicit proposals and select companies for award.

Q: Can you review RFI vs. Market Research Request, please?

A: An RFI is a request for information and is best used early in the process to send general questions to the contract holder such as "Who can respond to a requirement for a supercomputer and tape storage system". Responses are of an informational nature. A market Research Request is to obtain specific line item availability and pricing. Responses to market research requests are quotes that are verified against the SEWP contract.

Q: Now that the SEWP fee is incorporated into their pricing, do we need to figure out what the fee is to report it separately in FPDS?

A: NO - enter \$0 in FPDS.

Q: Does our solicitation list have to include every company that SEWP solicits and how do we know who they all are?
A: The list of companies you send your RFQ to is displayed in several places during the quoting process including on the Quote response page.

Q: Is there somewhere in the contractors info you can put if the contract is FBO Destination or Origin?
A: Contract are FBO Destination.

Q: Is SEWP a mandatory source for these types of procurements?
A: Different agencies have different requirements as to the usage of different contract vehicles. Check with your agency procurement and policy personnel for your agencies policies.

Q: Where is the link to register for training request?
<http://216.34.99.34/votingmodule/s180/survey/644729/196c/?logo=1>

Q: Will the surcharge for Sewp 5 be the same as Sewp 4
A: The initial fee for SEWP V will be 0.39%
